

*Scholarship amount:* \$1000 (Ten Scholarships awarded each year.)  
*Application Deadline:* April 1, 2012  
*Awards Announcement:* May 1, 2012

## Elam Baer and Janis Clay Educational Scholarship

The Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota is calling for 2012 applications from January 1 – April 1 for the Elam Baer and Janis Clay Educational Scholarship. Ten \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to students who have shown courage in dealing with epilepsy and seizures, commitment to their education and perseverance in eliminating the obstacles that seizures may present.

### Eligibility:

- Must have a diagnosis of epilepsy/ seizure disorder.
- Must be a high school senior or a high school graduate.
- Must provide proof of acceptance to a post-secondary academic or vocational program.
- Must live in Minnesota or Eastern North Dakota.
- Must submit a completed application and two letters of recommendation.

### Selection Factors:

- Strong career goals.
- Strength of recommendations.
- How applicant has faced challenges due to epilepsy.
- Achievements
- Community involvement

### Selection Panel:

Five to seven member volunteer selection committee to be determined by the Executive Director.

Recipients will be announced and featured in the Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota Newsletter, Annual Report, website and possibly in local media.

**GENERAL INFORMATION (please print or type)**

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip) (County)

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently being treated by a physician for epilepsy?  Yes  No

Are you presently taking anticonvulsant medication?  Yes  No

**ACADEMIC RECORDS**

Name of high school: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected graduation date \_\_\_\_\_

Address of high school: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Universities, colleges, vocational schools to which you have applied and/or have been accepted:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

List any academic or school awards that you have received:

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**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Describe your participation in any activities, organizations, sports, groups or community service:

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**CAREER GOALS**

Please list your career goals:

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**SHORT ESSAY –ONE PAGE**

Write a brief essay (no more than 1 page) about something of direct personal importance to you as a person with epilepsy. For example: What does having epilepsy mean to you? How has epilepsy impacted your life? How have you overcome barriers, either personally, socially, or academically? Has one individual been instrumental in your success? (If so, who and how?) Describe an achievement of which you are especially proud. Or, choose your own epilepsy related topic.

**Please note: The essay needs to be 1 page, single spaced, 12 point font. Additional pages will not be accepted.**

**ENCLOSURES**

1. Submit two letters of recommendation with this application. Letters may be from your physician, a teacher, academic advisor, principal/dean, coach, employer, cleric, etc.
2. Attach a copy of your university, college or vocational school acceptance letter(s), or confirmation of enrollment.

**Please read and sign**

I hereby certify that the facts set forth in the above application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that completing this application does not ensure approval for a scholarship. I also grant permission for the Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota to use any photos of me for submission in publications.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Opportunities are provided solely on individual merit of applicants related to scholarship requirements and without regard to religion, creed, race, national origin, gender or sexual orientation.*

Please return this application by April 1, 2012 to:

**Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota  
Elam Baer & Janis Clay Educational Scholarship  
1600 University Avenue West Suite 300  
St. Paul, MN 55104**